

SENATOR MOORE: Yes.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Senator Moore, you're familiar with...and for the sake of the rest of the body I will explain the concept of the strike force, State Patrol strike force, was originally included in the LB 1351, the crime bill that came through Judiciary Committee. It was also included, I believe, in a budget request that came through your committee. It was amended out of the crime bill in Judiciary Committee because it was the subject of a similar request in the Appropriations Committee budget. You and I have had some discussions about considering putting those funds back into the budget bill, into 991, and I guess I would want to ask you if, for the record, if you would be willing to talk between now and then to see where the committee might stand on given the fact that you don't have access to the fact that that was taken out in the Judiciary Committee; given that new information, if the committee would be willing to discuss whether that might not go back in between now and Select.

SENATOR MOORE: Well, yes, Senator Lindsay, you're accurate. It's kind of two reasons the Appropriations Committee didn't put the money in. One was that it was over in LB 1351 so why put it there. But, in fairness, I think it would be to say that that money was incredibly similar to a cut that the committee had suffered through last year and so we were not that wild about it, but we were kind of just doing a Pontius Pilate and wash our hands of it and let you deal with it in LB 1351. But since you thought we were dealing with it, I think, as the committee prepares for any Select File amendments, we can discuss it under that context and then make a firm recommendation, and if we can't...we can't pass it off on you, we need to make a decision on whether or not we want to fund it.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Kind of sounds like a tag, you're it. (Laughter.) Thank you, Senator Moore. I just wanted to get that into the record, and we'll be probably offering an amendment at Select File to see where the body stands on the issue.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Lindsay. Any further discussion on the advancement of LB 991? Seeing none, Senator Moore, would you like to close?

SENATOR MOORE: Yee haa, let's move this doggie.